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SUBJ: FURTHER COMMENTS ON SAUVAGNARGUES VISIT

REF: A. MOSCOW 10974 (NOTAL); B. PARIS 17367;

C. USNATO 3949

1. FRENCH AMBASSADOR VIMONT HAS GIVEN ME ADDITIONAL  
COMMENTS ON SAUVAGNARGUES VISIT WHICH FOR MOST PART  
CONFIRM INFORMATION IN REFTELS. ADDITIONS AND DIFFERENCES  
FOLLOW.

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2. CSCE. VIMONT THINKS THAT THE SOVIETS NOW UNDERSTAND

THAT THEY CANNOT GET THE THIRD-PHASE SUMMIT UNLESS  
THEY DO SOMETHING ON BASKET III. VIMONT ALSO THINKS THAT  
PRESIDENT NIXON'S VISIT WAS HELPFUL IN THIS REGARD;  
HE GOT THE IMPRESSION THAT THE SOVIETS WERE  
DISAPPOINTED THAT THE PRESIDENT WAS NOT MORE FORTHCOMING  
THAN HE WAS ON CSCE.

3. EUROPE. UNLIKE JOBERT'S ENCOUNTERS WITH  
SOVIETS, THEY DID NOT RAISE QUESTION OF EUROPEAN  
DEFENSE UNITY WITH SAUVAGNARGUES.

4. BERLIN. ALTHOUGH FEA WAS NOT MENTIONED BY NAME,  
IT WAS ON GROMYKO'S MIND. HE REGRETTED THAT NO MEASURES  
HAVE BEEN TAKEN BY WESTERN POWERS AGAINST THOSE WHO  
VIOLATE THE QA; THE SOVIET UNION MUST REACT TO ACTIONS  
WHICH VIOLATE THE LETTER AND SPIRIT OF THE QA. GROMYKO  
CAREFULLY STATED THAT SOVIETS "HOPE OUR PARTNERS IN FUTURE  
WILL BE MORE SEVERE SO THAT NO ONE WILL VIOLATE THE QA."  
VIMONT THOUGHT THIS MEANT SOVIETS ACCEPT FEA BUT  
WANT TO FORESTALL ESTABLISHMENT OF ANY OTHER SUCH  
AGENCIES.

5. PALESTINE. SAUVAGNARGUES ASKED BREZHNEV SOVIET  
POSITION ON ISRAELI FRONTIERS AND SPECIFICALLY PALESTINIAN  
STATE. BREZHNEV AVOIDED DIRECT ANSWER ON PALESTINE,  
SAYING MERELY THAT SOVIET UNION SUPPORTS INDEPENDENCE  
AND SECURITY OF ISRAEL. HE SAID SOVIETS DO NOT KNOW  
WHAT PALESTINIANS WANT AND DO NOT HAVE RELATIONS WITH  
ANY OF THE PALESTINIAN GROUPS.

6. BREZHNEV'S HEALTH. CONTRARY TO COMMENT BY  
FRENCH EMBOFF (REF A), VIMONT THOUGHT BREZHNEV  
LOOKED TIRED AND SEEMED NOT AS DYNAMIC AS USUAL.  
HE SEEMED "DISILLUSIONED". TOWARD THE END OF THE  
THREE-AND-A-HALF HOUR TALK, HOWEVER, HE SEEMED TO PERK  
UP AND BY THE END WAS RATHER LIVELY. STOESSEL

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